

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 04 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 05 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 04 Apr 2023 at 03:30 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence until Thursday when there is some uncertainty on return of rainfall across the country. Higher confidence in drier conditions returning on Friday.

Headline for Tuesday 04 Apr 2023: Bright start, turning cloudier, with rain later in the evening. Strong southerly winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 04 Apr 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Mist	Fog	Light rain
Precipitation probability					
<05%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%

Forecast for Tuesday 04 Apr 2023

Weather: Clear or sunny spells at first, with sunshine turning hazier through the morning. Low cloud will increasingly push in from the west through the afternoon, with the odd spot of light rain. More persistent rain arriving later in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90%, decreasing to 40% from late afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud, bases 700-800m, gradually pushing in from the west during the afternoon. Temporary reductions in visibility to moderate in any heavier rain late evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	35/44 S	31/40 S	29/37 S	34/44 S	34/44 S	33/44 S	31/40 S
900	34/41 S	30/37 S	33/42 S	38/48 S	38/47 S	32/41 S	31/40 S
600	14/19 SW	19/27 S	22/29 S	27/37 S	26/37 S	23/34 S	23/33 S
300	5/12 SW	6/16 SW	9/21 S	13/28 S	11/26 S	6/16 SW	9/22 S
Glen	4/22 SW	6/20 SW	7/22 S	7/24 SW	6/22 S	5/22 SW	6/23 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-1/-10	-2/-10	-1/-9	-0/-8	-0/-9	-1/-10	-1/-9
900	4/-2	4/-2	4/-3	4/-2	5/-2	5/-1	5/-1
600	6/2	6/1	6/1	7/1	6/1	6/1	6/1
300	2/-0	6/4	9/7	10/7	9/6	7/5	7/4
Glen	2/0	7/4	10/8	11/9	10/7	7/4	7/4
Freezing Level*	800m	1000m	1500m	1700m	1600m	2000m	2100m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Feeling cold at height in the strong winds, gales possible across the Cairngorm Plateau.

Forecast for Wednesday 05 Apr 2023

Weather: Low cloud lingering across the region during the morning with outbreaks of rain, heavy at times. This mostly clearing by mid-afternoon, although some patchy cloud may linger at first, but becoming dry.

Maximum wind: Southerly 15-20 mph, gusting 30 mph, easing into the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% during the morning, increasing to 80% into the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud, base 600-800m, in association with the rain, with moderate visibility in heavy outbreaks. Good into the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 rising to plus 10 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 rising to plus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits.